केंद्र पुरस्कृत राष्ट्रीय आर्थिक दुर्बल घटक योजनेच्या (NMMSS) सुधारीत मार्गदर्शक सूचनांची अंमलबजावणी करणेबाबत....

महाराष्ट्र शासन
शालेय शिक्षण व क्रीडा विभाग
शासन परिपत्रक क्रमांक:- NMMSS-२०१८/प्र.क्र.६६/एसडी-५
मंत्रालय विस्तार भवन, मुंबई ४०००३२
दिनांक :- २० ऑगस्ट, २०१८.

वाचा :-

१) शासन परिपत्रक क्र.आधार-२०१८/प्र.क्र.१०८/एसडी-५, दि.१७ सप्टेंबर, २०१६,
२) केंद्र शासनाच्या मिनिस्ट्री ऑफ हयुमन रिसोर्स डेव्हलपमेंट, डिपार्टमेंट ऑफ स्कूल एज्युकेशन ॲन्ड लिटरसी यांचे क्र.F.No.१-७/२०१८-SS, दिनांक २० एप्रिल, २०१८ चे पत्र व सहपत्र

शासन परिपत्रक :-

शालेय शिक्षण व क्रीडा विभागामार्फत केंद्र शासन पुरस्कृत राष्ट्रीय आर्थिक दुर्बल घटक योजना National Means - cum Merit Scholarship Scheme (NMMSS) सन २००८ पासून राबविण्यात येते. सदर योजनेच्या मार्गदर्शक सूचनांमध्ये केंद्र शासनाने खालीलप्रमाणे सुधारणा केल्या आहेत.

१. शिष्यवृत्तीची रक्कम प्रतिवर्षी रु.६०००/- वरुन रु.१२०००/- करण्यात आली आहे.
२. यापूर्वी शिष्यवृत्तीची रक्कम वर्षातून ४ हप्त्यात देण्यात येत होती ती यापुढे प्रतिवर्षी एका हप्त्यात देण्यात येईल.
३. शिष्यवृतीचे पात्रता निकष असे आहेत की, NMMSS परीक्षेत Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) व Mental Ability Test (MAT) या दोन्हीमध्ये मिळून किमान ४०% (३२% अजा/अज विद्यार्थ्यांकरिता) गुण असणे आवश्यक आहे. त्यामुळे पूर्वीची प्रत्येक विषयात ४०% गुण आवश्यक असण्याची अट आता रद्द समजण्यात यावी.

२. उपरोक्त योजनेच्या सुधारित मार्गदर्शक सूचनांबाबत शिक्षण संचालक, माध्यमिक व उच्च माध्यमिक, महाराष्ट्र राज्य, पुणे यांनी विभागीय शिक्षण उपसंचालक, शिक्षण अधिकारी यांना सूचना निर्गमित कराव्यात. तसेच पालकांना/विद्यार्थ्यांना सुधारित माहिती देण्याकरीता विस्तृत जाहिरात करावी जेणेकरुन जास्तीत जास्त विद्यार्थ्यांना NMMSS परीक्षेत पात्र ठरुन या योजनेचा लाभ घेता येईल. (सोबत विस्तृत मार्गदर्शक सूचनांची प्रत जोडण्यात आली आहे)

३. सदर शासन परिपत्रक महाराष्ट्र शासनाच्या www.maharashtra.gov.in या संकेतस्थळावर उपलब्ध करण्यात आले असून त्याचा सांकेताक २०१८०८२०१६५८२३०६२१ असा आहे. हे परिपत्रक डिजीटल स्वाक्षरीने साक्षांकित करुन काढण्यात येत आहे.

महाराष्ट्राचे राज्यपाल यांच्या आदेशानुसार व नावाने,

Suvarna Siddharth Kharat

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प्रति,

१. मा.मंत्री (शालेय शिक्षण) यांचे स्वीय सहायक
२. मा.अप्पर मुख्य सचिव, (शालेय शिक्षण व क्रीडा विभाग) यांचे स्वीय सहायक
३. आयुक्त (शिक्षण), महाराष्ट्र राज्य, पुणे
४. शिक्षण संचालक (माध्यमिक व उच्च माध्यमिक), शिक्षण संचालनालय, महाराष्ट्र राज्य, पुणे.
५. अध्यक्ष, महाराष्ट्र राज्य परीक्षा परिषद, महाराष्ट्र राज्य, पुणे.
६. सर्व विभागीय उप संचालक, महाराष्ट्र राज्य.
७. सर्व शिक्षणाधिकारी (माध्यमिक)
८.निवड धारिका (एसडी-५)

F. No.1-7/2018-SS
Government of India
Ministry of Human Resource Development
Department of School Education & Literacy
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Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated the 20th April, 2018



To

The Principal Secretary/Secretary (Education)
All State/UT Governments,
(As per list attached)

Subject: Central Sector National Means-cum-Merit Scholarship (NMMSS) of the Department of School Education and Literacy - regarding.

Sir,

This has reference to Central Sector Scheme "National Means-cum-Merit Scholarship Scheme of the Department of School Education & Literacy, Ministry of Human Resource Development which is being implemented since 2008 with an objective to award scholarships to meritorious students of economically weaker sections to arrest their drop out at class VIII and encourage them to continue the study at secondary stage.

2. In this regard, it is to inform you that scheme is going to continue beyond XII plan period for three years from 2017-18 to 2019-20. As per the latest provisions under the scheme, the following guidelines have been changed with effect from April, 2017 (the revised guidelines of the scheme are attached herewith):

(i) The rate of scholarship is enhanced from Rs. 6000/- to Rs. 12000/- per annum.

(ii) The scholarship will be disbursed in one instalment in a year i.e. the quarterly basis payment pattern will no longer be applicable for the scholarship.

(iii) The criteria for qualifying NMMSS Exam will be aggregate of Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) and Mental Ability Test (MAT) to be taken together at minimum of 40% (32% for SC/ST students). Therefore, the earlier provision of securing 40% marks in each SAT and MAT will no longer be applicable.

3. In view of above, you are requested to give wide publicity to the scheme through the revised guidelines so that sufficient number of students are able to appear in the examination leading to selection of meritorious students in full strength so that the allotted quota for States/UTs are fulfilled.

Yours faithfully,

(Vinayak T. Likhar)
Under Secretary to the Government of India
Tel. No.011- 23381782

Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to:-

1. The Nodal Officer of all States/UTs for NMMSS.
2. DGM, State Bank of India, Main Branch, Parliament Street, New Delhi-110001
3. NIC Cell, MHRD for updating the guidelines on MHRD dashboard.
4. Shri S.B.Singh, DDG, NIC, CGO Complex, New Delhi, for updating guidelines on National Scholarship Portal (NSP).
5. Shri S.K. Mathur, Joint Controller General of Accounts, O/o CGA, Shivaji Stadium, New Delhi
6. Shri Narendra Bhooshan, DDG, UIDAI, Jeewandeep Building, New Delhi

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CENTRALLY SPONSORED NATIONAL MEANS-CUM-MERIT SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME

1.0 The Scheme:

1.1 Under this scheme, 100,000 scholarships are awarded to the gifted or meritorious students whose parental income is not more than Rs. 1,50,000/- per annum from all sources. Each State /UT have fixed quota of scholarship as given at Annexure of concerned age group of class VII and VIII. The scheme would provide reservation to different categories of students as per the State/UT norms; as different States/UTs have their own norms of reservation.

1.2 These scholarships will be provided on yearly basis to the students studying as regular students in class IX in a Government, Government-aided and local body schools which will be renewed for classes X, XI and XII. Thus the scholarships will be for a maximum period of four years.

1.3 The amount of scholarship will be Rs. 12000/- per annum @ Rs. 1000 per month.

1.4 A separate examination shall be conducted by the State Governments/UT Administrations for selection of students for the award of the National Means-cum-Merit Scholarships in the States/UTs.

2.0 Procedure for Selection of Awardee Students:

2.1 Each State/UT will conduct its own test for selection of students for the award of the National Means-cum-Merit Scholarship. The State Level Examination may consist of the following two tests:

(i) Mental Ability Test (MAT)

(ii) Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT)

2.2 The students shall have minimum of 55 % marks or equivalent grade in Class VII examination for appearing in selection test for award of scholarship (relax able by 5% for SC/ST students). The students should be studying as regular student in a Government, Government-aided and local body schools.

2.3 **Mental Ability Test** may consist of 90 multiple-choice questions testing verbal and non-verbal meta-cognitive abilities like reasoning and critical thinking. The questions in the test may be on analogy, classification, numerical series, pattern perception, hidden figure etc.

2.4 **Scholastic Aptitude Test** may consist of 90 multiple-choice questions covering subjects namely, science, social studies and mathematics as taught in classes VII and VIII.

2.5 **Duration of the Test**

Each test will be of 90 minutes duration. Children with disability will be given extra time, as applicable.

3.0 Declaration of Results

3.1 For selecting the students, the following conditions may apply:

(i) The students must pass both the tests i.e. MAT and SAT with at least 40 % marks in aggregate taken together for these two tests. For the SC/ST students, this cut off will be 32% marks.

(ii) At the time of selection for the award of scholarship the student must have scored at least 55% mark or equivalent grade in Class VIII examination. There will be 5 % relaxation for SC/ST students.

(iii) The awardees should satisfy the eligibilities and the conditions mentioned in the scheme.

4.0 Disbursement of Scholarships

4.1 A student can avail only one Scholarship under any scheme.

4.2 The awardees will be required to open bank accounts preferably in SBI, or any public sector bank or any scheduled bank which has core banking facility.

4.3 The State Governments / UT Administrations shall normally send the proposals/ list of beneficiaries on-line on the Scholarship Portal. The Ministry will scrutinize the proposal and sanction funds from Annual Budget Provision for releasing them to SBI, the implementing bank for scheme for disbursal of scholarships to students directly into their bank accounts by electronic transfer.

4.4 The awardees should get minimum of 55% marks in Class IX and XI and 60% in Class X for continuance of scholarship (relaxable by 5% for SC/ST candidates) in next higher classes.

4.5 SBI will ensure that the scholarship is paid to awardees in one go (Rs. 12000) immediately after getting the funds and the lists from the Ministry.

4.6 SBI will instruct some of its branches to coordinate with the State Education Department in connection with the payment of scholarships.

5. General Eligibility Conditions

5.1 An awardee is eligible for the scholarship provided he/she:

i. takes up studies in approved courses.

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ii. maintains good conduct as certified by the Head of the College/Institution and continues his/her studies as a regular student in a Government/Government-aided /Local Body school.

iii. does not absent himself/herself without proper leave.

iv. takes up studies on a whole time basis.

v. does not take up any job.

5.2 No scholarship shall be available for studies abroad for any course.

5.3 No claim for scholarship arrears will be entertained after the expiry of 12 months of the academic session for which one has applied for the claim.

5.4 In case any awardee leaves his/her course of study within one month of registration/admission, no scholarship shall be paid to him/her.

5.5 In case awardee is not able to appear at the annual examination due to serious illness, one should send the medical certificate through the Head of the Institution within three months of one's falling ill. The duration of illness should be clearly certified by a specialist, who is a Registered Medical Practitioner. The facility will be available to the awardee to continue the same course in which one is studying provided the principal or the head of the institution certifies that the overall performance of the awardee during the year is 50% or above.

5.6 The awardee must join the next class/desired course within 3 months of the declaration of the result of the previous class/course.

5.7 Scholarship shall be deemed to be discontinued with any gap of one academic session in studies at any time due to any reason.

5.8 Scholarship once discontinued on the basis of the rules of disbursement of scholarship cannot be revived under any circumstances.

5.9 All rules are subject to change from time to time, as and when required, which will be binding on all awardees.

6.0 <u>Eligibility and other conditions for starting and continuing of Scholarship at Secondary and Higher Secondary Stage</u>

6.1 The awardees should get clear promotion from class VIII to Class IX for being eligible for starting the scholarship.

6.2 The scholarship at the secondary and higher secondary stage or equivalent classes IX to XII is payable for a maximum period of four years for studies in India only.

6.3 No scholarship at this stage is payable for studying diploma/certificate level courses.

6.4 For continuing the scholarship in class X and XII, the awardees should get clear promotion from class IX to class X and from class XI to class XII in the first attempt with 55% marks (relaxable by 5% for SC/ST students)

6.5 The awardees must obtain a minimum of 60 per cent marks in Class X (relaxable by 5% for SC/ST students) examination or equivalent examination for continuation of the scholarship at higher secondary stage.

6.6 In case an institution/school does not conduct an examination at the end of Class IX and / or Class XI, the scholarship for the second year will be continued on the submission of a certificate to this effect from the Head of the Institution/School.

7.0 The scheme will be further in operation beyond March 2017 from the financial year 2017-18 and the selection test for the awarded of scholarship will be conducted for Class IX students in November every year as a separate test by the State Governments/UT Administrations.

8.0 A Technical Support Group (TSG) consisting of Consultants / support staff etc. may be constituted for assisting in effective implementation and monitoring of the scheme.

9.0 The scheme will be monitored in the Department at regular intervals with the concerned Stake holders.

10.0 The scheme may be reviewed after three years.

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Annexure

Table Indicating the number of scholarships to States/UTs on the basis of 2/3rd (66.67%) weightage on the enrolment in classes VII and VIII and 1/3rd (33.33%) weightage on child population of the relative age under National Means-cum- Merit Scholarship Scheme		
S.No.	States/UTs	Scholarships on the basis of 66.67% weightage to Enrolment & 33.33% weightage to Child Population
1	Andhra Pradesh	4087
2	Arunachal Pradesh	122
3	Assam	2411
4	Bihar	5433
5	Chhattisgarh	2246
6	Goa	144
7	Gujarat	5097
8	Haryana	2337
9	Himachal Pradesh	832
10	Jammu & Kashmir	1091
11	Jharkhand	1959
12	Karnataka	5534
13	Kerala	3473
14	Madhya Pradesh	6446
15	Maharashtra	11682
16	Manipur	255
17	Meghalaya	231
18	Mizoram	103
19	Nagaland	180
20	Orissa	3314
21	Punjab	2210
22	Rajasthan	5471
23	Sikkim	58
24	Tamil Nadu	6695
25	Telangana	2921
26	Tripura	351
27	Uttar Pradesh	15143
28	Uttaranchal	1048
29	West Bengal	7250
30	A&N Islands	42
31	Chandigarh	85
32	D&N Haveli	22
33	Daman & Diu	16
34	Delhi	1576
35	Lakshadweep	10
36	Pondicherry	125
Total		100000